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Drive Unit Having A Combustion Engine And A  
Transmission

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to the issuance of a first Office Action and simultaneously with the filing of the  
present application, please amend said application as follows:

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the paragraph starting at line 3: